

1859-001 Chancery Causes: Eli B. Crockett vs. Admr. of William H. H. Sproul & Lee Co.

Ridings, Carroll, Sipe, Richmond, Crockett & Sproul, Dickinson,
Cook, Smith, Morrison, Edsall, Noel, Cole, Sharp

CA - Debt

To the worshipful the County Court of Lee County Va.

The bill of Complaint of Eli B. Crockett of this County respectfully sets forth that he and one Jacob Sipe were partners in the saddlery & harness business in Jonesville in said County. & so continued partners for about eleven months, in the month of May 1854, Jacob Crockett & the said Sipe dissolved their partnership. Jacob Crockett at the time of the dissolution bought from Sipe his interest in the business and contracted to pay him therefor \$825. & gave him two notes for the same ~~payable~~ one for \$425. as payable on the 1st day of January 1855. the other for \$400. as payable on the 1st day of January 1856. the first of said notes bore interest from the 1st day of May 1854. Wm A. Spraul John P. Riding and John J. Corral were Jacob Crockett's securities in the payment of the said notes, & said securities became somewhat alarmed in the ~~of~~ shortly after they had become Jacob ^{Crockett's} securities & applied to him for the purpose of making themselves safe so as that no loss might result to them on account of their security-ships. Jacob Crockett then proposed to ~~them~~ that he would indemnify them by placing in their hands outstanding debts due to him quite sufficient to make them secure. the said securities accepted of the proposition & Jacob Crockett accordingly placed in the hands of the said Spraul (at the request of Riding the co-security) notes, accounts, & shop in which Jacob Crockett then wrought for the purpose of indemnifying them as securities aforesaid. John J. Corral was not present when these transactions took place but told Jacob Crockett before then, that whatever the co-securities Spraul & Riding would ^{do} he would stand by it. & that it would satisfy him. The said notes accounts & shop so placed in the hands of said

Spraul were of the value of about \$1500. as will
more fully appear from the list of notes & accounts
so placed in his hands. Marked (A) & made part
of this bill. of said sum the said Spraul has
collected about \$1300. as. And the said your orator
has received no part of the sum. except that the
debt of interest due the said Sipe. & your orator
has been paid out of said ^{\$1300.} sum, which debt
amounted to about \$1000. at the time of payment.
So from these facts there are still due & owing
your orator out of said notes, accounts & shop
so placed in the hands of said Spraul, about
\$300. The said Wm. H. Spraul is now dec'd and James
Spraul is the administrator of his estate, the other
two trustees John J. Carroll & John P. Ridings are
non-residents of this State, & your orator is informed
that the said Carroll has some effects in this State.

Your orator's prayer therefore is that the said
James Spraul admr of the estate of Wm. H. Spraul
dec'd John J. Carroll & John P. Ridings be made
parties defendants to this bill and they ~~are~~ answer
all the allegations herein. That upon a final
hearing of the cause a decree be rendered in favor
of your ^{orator} for what may appear due him out of the
proceeds of the notes, accounts, & shop, so placed in the
hands of said Spraul, for indemnification: & grant
to your orator such other & general relief as the
nature of his case may seem to require & is meet
with equity. May it please your worships to grant the
Commonwealth's writ of ^{sp} ~~sp directed &c~~

Kenneth D. Logan

That a Comr be appointed to state and settle the
said accounts notes &c & report to the same to your worships
& that publication be made as to the non-resident Defendants

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Eli B. Cookist

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vs 3 Bill - ch
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for special adm et al

1858, Oct. Term, Bill filed
+ order of publication

1858, Nov. Rules continued

" Dec. XXXXX Dec. 1858

1859, Jan. Term continued

" Jan. Term 1859

" Aug. Term final Decree

+ striking from the docket

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@ 6.00

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\$ - 1.00

comr. 7.50

Ref. 3.75

\$ 24.10

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Eli B. H. H. H.

vs

James Sprout adm^r & al

This cause came on this 18th day of August 1859 to be again heard upon the papers for merely read the report of Commissioner John S. Sprout and was argued by counsel and there appearing to be no exceptions to said report, it is ordered that the same be confirmed.

And it appearing by said report that the amount of notes ap^d & placed in the hands of Wm H S Sprout, ^{in his lifetime} John S. Sprout, & John P. Hedges as collateral security to indemnify them against all loss they might sustain in consequence of these suretyship exceeds the amount of the debt intended to be secured to the said Local Sife by the sum of \$366.¹⁴/₁₀₀ with interest from the 1st day of August 1858. And it further appearing that this amount so placed in their hands as aforesaid, has never been refunded to the said Compt^r - it is therefore adjudged ordered and decreed that the \$^{off} recover from the defts^r the sum of \$366.¹⁴/₁₀₀ with interest thereon from the 1st day of August 1858 and his costs in this behalf expended. And it further appearing to the Court that the object of this suit has been accomplished it is ordered that this cause be stricken from the docket.

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vs { Final Decree

Sproul et al

Entered August 18th 1859

Virginia

At a Court of Quarter Session continued
and held for Lee County at the Court house there
on Thursday the 18th day of August 1859

Eli B. Crockett Compt.

and

James Spruell Admr et al vs

In Chancery

This cause came on this 18th day of August 1859
to be again heard upon the papers formerly read,
the report of commissioners John D. Sharp and was
argued by counsel and there appearing to be
no exception to said report, it is ordered that the
same be confirmed.

And it appearing by said report that the
amount of notes up &c placed in the hands of
Jm. H. Spruell in his lifetime, John J. Carroll
& John P. Bitings as collateral security to indemnify
them against all loss they might sustain in consequence
of their securityship exceeds the amount of the debt
intended to be secured to the said Jacob Sipe by
the sum of \$366.16⁰⁰ with interest from the 1st day
of August 1858. And it appearing that this
amount so placed in their hands as aforesaid, has
never been repaid to the said Compt. It is
therefore adjudged ordered and decreed, that the Plff
recover from the Defs the sum of \$366.16⁰⁰ with interest
thereon from the 1st day of August 1858, and his costs
in this behalf expended, And it ^{further} appearing to the
court that the object of this suit has been accomplished
it is ordered that this cause be stricken from
the docket.

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Eli B. Crockett
against
James Spraul admr. &c. doctrs } In Chancery

This day this cause came on to be heard upon the bill filed by complainant and exhibits made in the cause. And it appearing to the Court that the Sp^{rs} in the cause was duly served on the defendant James Spraul admr. &c. And publication made as to the non-residents John J. Carroll & John P. Ridings in the Abingdon Virginian a news paper in this state for four successive weeks and the same duly posted at the front door of the Court house in manner prescribed by the 170th Chap Code 1849. And more than one month having expired since the completion of said publication & posting. And all of the defendants still failing to appear to answer the said bill it is therefore taken for confessed. It is therefore ordered, decreed, and adjudged that John D. Sharp be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of the notes and accounts placed in the hands of William H. Spraul dec^d by compl^t for the indemnification of decedent's defendants Carroll & Ridings, on account of the security ship mentioned in the bill. And that he also ascertain and report the amount of said claims collected by the said decedent or his representatives, how much were applied to complainant's use, & the residue in the hands of the said admr. And that he also report any other matter which he may deem necessary to a full and fair adjustment of the matters mentioned in the bill & that he report his proceedings to the next term of this Court until which time the cause is continued.

E. B Crockett

v.s. } beaver

John Sprad and son
both

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order Book 266

Charles Cook and Absalom R. Dickinson
The depositions of Marion D. Richmond and James
R. ~~Wright~~ taken before John D. Sharp Commissioner
in Chancery to be read as evidence on behalf of Eli
B. Crockett, on the settlement of the account in
the case now pending in the County Court of Se
in which said Crockett is Plaintiff and James Sprad
Adm^r of William H. H. Sprad Dec^d & others are
Def^{ts}. Taken on the 24th February 1859.

Marion D. Richmond, a witness of lawful
age being duly sworn deposes & says

At the request of John P. Ridings I went
with him to the Saddlers Shop of Crockett
& Sprad in Lonesville, I believe it was in
the fall or winter of 1856. for the purpose
of examining notes & apes, which was said
by Eli B. Crockett. W^m H. H. Sprad & John P.
Ridings to belong to the firm of Sipe &
Crockett which they said had been placed
in the hands of W^m H. H. Sprad for collection
to secure himself & John P. Ridings as securities
of Eli B. Crockett in a note which Crockett
was owing to said Sipe a former partner
of said Crockett. and Sprad rendered
a statement of debt, which he said
had been placed in his hands for the
purpose above named. and from the
statement it appeared that there had
been sufficient amount of debt
in his hands to secure said Sprad
& Ridings as securities of Crockett
the debts listed by Sprad, as good, doubtful
and bad were more than sufficient to
secure them, but as to ^{the} total amount

of the debt I cannot remember.
and further this deponent saith not
Marion D. Richmond

~~The foregoing deposition of Marion D. Richmond was duly taken, sworn to & subscribed before me on the day & at the place mentioned in the preceding caption. Given under my hand this 24th day of February 1859.~~

~~John D. Sharp
Commiss in Chancery~~

~~The deposition of Charles Cook.~~

Charles Cook another witness of lawfull age being duly sworn, deposes & says.

I heard William H. H. Sprout say that the notes executed by Pettib, and by said Sprout John B. Ridings & John J. Carroll as his ^{Jacob Dyer} sureties, were for about \$800. I now hear Pettib say there were two notes given; one for \$400. and one for \$425. ^{the last named one} one was due the next January after the trade was made, which was in May ^{or first named one} and the other was due the next January succeeding that January.

Charles Cook

Abraham R. Dickinson, another witness of lawfull age, being duly sworn deposes & says.

E. B. Crockett sold me a cow in Jan^y, & got nearly amt \$20.00 Dec 25th 1856
When I presented said note for pay went to John M. Worley he procured a receipt for 10⁰⁰ & dis-
against the note he stated to me that when he called for the note the note could not be found consequently the last of said was given

A. R. Dickinson

The foregoing depositions of Marion D. Richmond Charles Cook, and A. R. Dickinson were duly taken sworn to & subscribed on the day and at the place mentioned in the preceding caption. Given under my hand, this 24th February 1859.

John D. Sharp
Commiss in Chancery

E. B. Crockett
vs } Deposition
Jas Sproul Admr Others

Samuel P. Morrison

The deposition of Lewis Smith, taken before John D. Sharp a Commissioner in Chancery, on the 2nd day of March 1859, at See Court House to be read as evidence on behalf of Eli B. Crockett in a certain suit in Chancery, now pending in the County Court of See County, in which suit said Eli B. Crockett is Complainant and James Sproul, Admr of the Estate of William H. H. Sproul Decd. is Defendant.

Lewis Smith, a witness of lawful age, being duly sworn, deposes & says, —

As Constable, for See County, I collected a debt from Isom and George Scott of about \$30.00 and paid the same over to Wm H. H. Sproul, who ^{as I believe} told me that said debt was coming to him ~~to~~ to indemnify him ^{to} from ^{both} as the Sureties of said Crockett to Jacob Sipe. I also collected a debt of \$10. from Jordan Lewis & paid to said Sproul. Said note was executed to Crockett & Sipe. Said Sproul told me that a large amount of debts, were put into his hands by said Crockett, to indemnify him as above stated. I do not remember the amount. He also told me that said Crockett had placed ^{or very near enough off} enough debt in his hands, to secure him, if he ever got them.

Further this Deponent says not.

Lewis Smith

~~The foregoing deposition of Lewis Smith was duly taken & sworn to & subscribed before me, the undersigned Commissioner in Chancery, on the day & at the place mentioned in the preceding Certificate, given under my hand & the seal of the County of See, March 2nd 1859.~~

Samuel P. Morison another witness of lawful
age, being duly sworn deposes & says,
Sometime in the year 1856, in a conversation with Wm. H. H.
Sproul, he said to me that he was E. B. Crockett's security
to one Jacob Sipo for a certain sum of money (the amt.
of which I do not now recollect) I asked him if he would
have any thing to pay or would suffer any loss thereby.
He said he did not think he would, as he had good
Notes & accounts placed in his possession, sufficient to
to indemnify him for any loss he might suffer thereby.
Further this Deponent says nothing.

S. P. Morison

The foregoing depositions of Lewis Smith & Samuel P. Morison
were duly taken, sworn to, & subscribed before me on the day & at
the place mentioned in the preceding Caption Given under
my hand this 2nd day of March 1857.

John D. Sharp,
Commr. in Chg.

for Charles Adams

Wm. H. H. Sproul

E. B. Crockett

vs / Deposition

Jas Sproul Admr. & al

before John D Sharp Commissioner in Chy

The deposition of Samuel Edsall taken at the Clerk's office of the County Court of Lee County, Virginia, on the 15th day of March 1859, to be read as evidence on behalf of Eli B Crockett in a suit in Chancery now pending in the County Court of Lee, in which said Eli B Crockett is complainant and James Sprout Adm^r of William H. Sprout Dec^d, and Others are Defendants.

Samuel C. Edsall, a witness of lawful age being duly sworn deposes & says,

I collected for Wm H. H. Sprout the following list of debts, and paid the same over to him when collected, viz: One debt of \$2.78 on A Johnston, one of \$19.38 on John Graham, one of \$2.00 on Levi Perry (blk), one of \$1.85 on John Worley, one of \$3.80 on Duke Covey, one of \$6.00 on John Munnicey, one of \$5.95 on John M. Crabtree, one of \$3.00 on Joe Daugherty, (blk), one of \$3.00 on Samuel Potter, one of \$5.00 on Elias Harbour, one of \$1.25 on Geo Potter Jr, one of \$10.00 on Wm O. Hall, one of \$155 on James Potter one of \$1.25 on Geo Williams, one of \$5.22 on Warren Justice, one of \$2.50 on Jas Marcum, one of \$1.834 on Thomas Crockett, Allen, which debts as I understood from both parties were put into said Sprout's hands to secure him ^{or others} from loss as said Crockett security to Jacob Wise. I also see on my Recpt & an endorsement in the hand writing of said Wm H. H. Sprout, of \$4.00 recd by him in part on the first debt.

And further this Deponent says not.

Samuel Edsall

Taken, sworn to, & subscribed, on the day & at the place mentioned in the Caption before me a Commissioner in Chancery. Given under my hand this 15th March 1859.

John D Sharp
Commissioner in Chancery.

E B Crockett

Deposition of
J. Eddall

Las. Sprout Admr. Vothers

4 B H M Cole,

The depositions of James R. Noell, taken before John D. Sharp Commissioner ^{of the State} to settle an account in the Case ^{in Chancery} of Eli B. Crockett against James Sproul Administrator of the Estate of William H. H. Sproul Decd, taken on the 24th day of February 1859.

James R. Noell, a witness of lawfull age, being duly sworn, deposes & says,

I executed my note to William H. H. Sproul, in his lifetime, my note for the amount of an account made by me with the firm of Crockett & Sipe. The account was for Six Dollars and some cents. I afterwards settled the note.

~~XXXX XXXXXX~~ I understood from Crockett and William H. H. Sproul, that said Sproul was to take all the unsettled notes & accounts of the firm of Crockett & Sipe and hold them, to secure himself, Ridings & Carroll against loss, by reason of being the Securitiss of said Eli B. Crockett in some debts he owed to Jacob Sipe. When Sproul asked me to execute my note above mentioned, he told me, (I think) that the said debts were coming to him.

And further Deponent says not.

J. R. Noell

John D. Sharp

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Branch H. M. Cole, a witness of lawfull age, being duly sworn deposes & says, that he paid to William H. H. Sproul in his lifetime an account, contracted with Eli B. Crockett, for \$25.00. Sproul told me, that he had all the "notes and accounts of the said Eli B. Crockett, to ~~XXXXXX~~ indemnify

indemnify him from loss as the security of
said Crockett to Jacob Sipe.

And further Deponent says not.
B. H. M. Cole

The foregoing depositions of James R. Hoell
and Branch H. M. Cole was duly taken sworn to
and subscribed before me, commencing on
the day mentioned in the Caption & contin-
ued by adjournment to the 15th February
1859.

John D. Sharp
Commissioner in Chancery

The deposition of John D. Sharp taken
at the law office of J. Hagan in Jonesville
Virginia, on the 25th day of February 1859
to be read as evidence in the Chancery
suit of E. B. Crockett vs James Sprout
Advers of Wm. H. H. Sprout and others.

John D. Sharp a witness of lawfull
age being duly sworn deposes & says,

That he had contracted an account of
\$1.00 or \$1.25, with the firm of Crockett &
Sipe. After the dissolution of said partner-
ship, William H. H. Sprout produced the
account to me and claimed payment
of it. He told me, as well as I recollect, that
all the accounts of said firm belonged to
him & were in his hands to settle. I paid
said account to him. I think it probable, that
Sprout told, said notes & accounts were put
into his hands to indemnify him & others as
the securities of said Crockett to Jacob Sipe
though I do not certainly remember that he
did. I heard the matter frequently spoken
of.

And further deponent says not.

John D. Sharp

The foregoing deposition of John D. Sharp was duly
taken sworn to and subscribed before me on the day
and at the place mentioned in the preceding Caption.
Given under my hand this 25th day of February 1859
H. Morgan Commr.

E. B. Crockett,

vs. { Dispositions

Gas. Spruce Adm. & al

Amount E. B. Crockett's debts paid by Sprout

1	note on E. S. & T. Lick & Int to 1st Augst 1835	\$ 49 40
1	" Jas. M. Dillard " "	62 50
1	" Carr Bailey " "	20 78
1	" Charles Blankenship " "	8, 53
1	" Quary & Carrell " "	34 46
1	" Jacob Lambert " "	12 50
1	" Amos Grantham " "	25 45
1	" Joseph Marcum " "	23, 54
1	" Mrs. S. Vaughan " "	30, 50
1	" John Smadgrove " "	21 25
1	" Levi Perry Bk. " "	9, 15
1	" John & George Price " "	49 20
1	" George & W. King " "	10, 31
1	" Elias Bledsoe " "	23, 31
1	" W. P. Poe " "	24, 00
1	" John Grahame " "	24, 41
1	" A. Johnston " "	24 80
1	" James & M. Anderson " "	25 01
1	" Samuel & W. E. Gray " "	30 50
1	" Born & George Scott " "	34 50
1	" J. M. & W. Emerson " "	23, 20
1	" James & Marcum " "	9 02
1	" Edward Smith " "	23, 52
1	" Crockett, Allen & Thomas " "	21 25
1	" N. M. Scott " "	24 57
1	" W. Loftice " "	6, 00
1	" John Shepherd " "	6, 90
1	" Gordon Lewis " "	14, 03
1	" J. R. & H. S. McHaffey " "	35 17
1	Receipt on S. Edsall " "	23, 98
1	note A. N. Russell " "	28, 03
1	" George Wolvier " "	7, 66
1	" J. S. McKison " "	11 43
1	" W. W. Sizer " "	3 42
1	" Branch H. M. Hale " "	28 67
		<hr/> 812 11

Ant Brod over

\$812.11

1 note on S. C. Martin & Co to 1st Aug 1838	20 70
1 " " S. H. Crockett " "	4 06
1 account on Maston Colliers " "	11 50
1 Shop value by Vaughan & Miles " "	112 50
Profits on Poted land warrant	59 52
1 note to Graham J " "	2 62
1 account W. H. H. Spraul " "	32 19
1 " " Henry Smith " "	7 60
1 " " John William " "	1 30
1 " " Monroe Thompson " "	4 57
1 " " John Kogar " "	4 86
1 " " John Herrell " "	3 35
1 " " Daniel Woodcock " "	1 83
1 " " James Spraul " "	7 32
1 " " E. B. Spencer " "	5 89
1 " " Elias Harbour " "	6 10
1 " " J. M. Beatty " "	7 56
1 " " Wm. M. Lee " "	3 37
1 note " John B. Dillard " "	36 21
1 account " J. H. Arnold " "	28 73
1 " " John Poted Jr " "	1 40
1 " " John M. Craik " "	8 47
1 " " John Muncy " "	6 66
1 " " A. J. B. M. Elroy " "	1 69
1 " " J. R. Mace " "	6 75
1 " " J. T. Loyo " "	37 21
Mistake in me happy " "	9 20
" Cash of Mrs Kogar " "	18 15
1 note on Leason Duncan " "	4 34
1 " " Dick Carey " "	4 71
Paid James H. Arnold " "	15 17
" J. W. Morrison & Co " "	27 54
1 note on Wm. O. Hall " "	12 40
1 " " John M. Worley " "	23 00
1 " " James Poted " "	1 53
1 mistake in Anderson debt	23 20
	1425.43

To Ant Brod forward \$1425.43
 1 account on J. S. Sharp 1.25
 \$1426.68

or

By 2 notes lifted by Spraul & Ridings after a payment of one hundred dollars on one of them by

Crockett, of \$865.39

By J. M. Dillards note 30.89

By E. S. Martins " 24.28

By A. H. T. Bells " 20.76

By Spraul's account 5.13

By John & George Pries 36.60

By A. Johnstons note 27.97

By A. Granthams 20.74

By Wm. H. & John Anderson 23.20

By W. Loptics " 6.00

By Chan Kinships 5.56

1060.52

\$366.16

The foregoing is a statement of the notes & accounts placed in the hands of Wm. H. H. Spraul, by Eli B. Crockett, to indemnify himself, Jno. S. Ridings and John J. Carroll from loss, as the sureties of said Crockett in two notes executed by Eli B. Crockett to Jacob Sipe. Taking all the evidence in the case, the depositions of M. D. Richmond, Charles, Absalom, R. Dickinson, James R. Koll, Branch H. M. Cole, Samuel Edsall, Lewis Smith, Samuel P. Morison and John D. Sharp's I think it is fairly to be presumed that the said notes & accounts were placed in his hands for the said purpose, and I find that the said notes & accounts were collected by him & applied to payment of said debts. I also find that there was an overplus after paying said notes to Sipe, and some notes & accounts returned to Crockett, as shown in above list of

of Credits, of \$366.16 with interest from the 1st
day of August 1858, which has never been
accounted for by Defts to Pltff. Crockett, and
was therefore due from them at the date above
stated, to said Crockett.

All of which is respectfully.

March 17th 1859.

John D. Sharp
Master Commissioner

I certify that I was diligently engaged in taking the
foregoing account, 10 hours at 75¢ per hour
making. — — — — — 7.50

Virginia Lee County To-wit, -

Sworn to before me, the undersigned Justice
of said County, on this 16th July 1859.

John Smyth (J.P.)

E. D. Crockett

vs (Comer Defunct)

Receivable Demand

Memorandum of an agreement made and entered into
on the 13th day of December in the year of our Lord, one
thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Five, between
Eli B. Crockett of the County of Lee and State of
Virginia, of the one part, and William H. H. Sproul
of the County and State aforesaid of the other part, Wit-
nesseth, that the said Eli B. Crockett and William
H. H. Sproul, have this day entered into a Copartner-
ship, for the purpose of carrying on the Saddlery
business in the Town of Jonesville for the period
of Two years, from and after the 1st day of
November 1855, from which time this partnership
dates. The Conditions of this partnership are as
follows: The said William H. H. Sproul hereby agrees
and binds himself to furnish the said Crockett
with such Material, (and a sufficiency thereof)
as may be necessary, to keep the said E. B. Crockett
and one other hand constantly employed in the
said business. The said Sproul further binds
himself to make or have made all the purchases
free of charge, and to assist in making the
collections free of charge likewise:
The said E. B. Crockett hereby binds himself to
devote himself entirely to the business, and also
to furnish one hand in the business, and attend
to selling and disposing of the work to the best
advantage. It is hereby understood and agreed by
the parties that the said William H. H. Sproul is
to have the exclusive control of all debts due the
said firm - all money ~~or~~ produced or property be-
longing to the said firm, or that may hereafter become
due to, or ^{that} the said firm may become possessed of -
At the expiration of the said firm all debts due by
the said firm are to be paid out of the effects
thereof and whatever balance may then be on hand

including monies, debts, material or other property
shall be equally divided between the parties -

In consideration of the fact that the said Crockett
is somewhat embarrassed by ~~other~~ individual liabilities
it is hereby agreed, that no part of the effects
of any kind belonging to the said firm shall be
applied to the payment or liquidation of those
personal & individual liabilities. And

whereas the said Crockett is indebted to one
Jacob Sipe for to a considerable amount, for which
said Sipe or his assignee holds the said
Crocketts bonds, in which said Sproul &
others are security it is, likewise agreed to
by the said Crockett that the said Sproul is to
have a Sufficiency of whatever may remain
due to said Crockett at the expiration of the
partnership, embracing cash, debts, material
or other property (if such there be) to satisfy
the said debt to Sipe -

In Witness of the foregoing the said parties
have hereunto subscribed their names
and affixed their seals the day and
year above written.

Eli B. Crockett Seal
Wm. H. Sproul Seal

Contract
Between
E. B. Crockett &
Wm. H. Sproul

1855-
Jm H Sproul
To Wm H Arnold Dr
Apr 1 To making 1 Coat @ \$7.50

7.50

" " " 1 Vest @ 2.50

2.50

" " " 1 Cr. Pants @ \$1.75

1.75

" " mending Coat 3/4 & Pants 1/6

.75 \$12.50

Lee County To wit

This day Henry Arnel came before me
an undersigned Justice in and for said
County and made oath that the within
act of \$12.50 is just and true and
has never been paid Given under my hand
this 30 March 1858

A. R. Clark J. P.

Ipswich 29th March 1855
 Received of Sproul Ridings Harrell, the following
 list of notes and accounts which were assigned
 to them by E. J. Crockett

My Note on Andrew Johnston for 20.00 due 18th July 54 - 20.00
 subject to a Cr of 12th Dec 1854

The Note on John Graham due March 1st 1854 for
 \$28.38, Subject to a Cr of \$4.00 21st Sep 54 } 107.38
 and \$5.00 9th Oct 1854 —

The Note on Levi Perry (Bk) due 25th Dec 1854 for 7.50

The ~~Note on John Snodgrass due 20th June 1854 for~~
 20.00, Subject to a Cr of \$3.00 } 17.00

An account on John Worley for Paid 1.85

An account on Job Worley for Paid 1.50

An account on Duke Cony for 3.80

An account on Richard Woods for Paid 2.25

An account on John Munnery for Paid to Crockett 2.00

An account on John McCreath for 75

An account on Joseph Daugherty (Bk) for Paid to Crockett 6.43

An account on Bank Road for 3.00

An account on Elias Vambor for Paid to Spaul 5.00

The Note on Wm Smith for 9.20 due Dec 18 1854 1.20

An account on John Potter Jr for 1.25

\$115.91

All of which I bind myself to collect or return
 according to Law

Samuel Edsall

April 16th Or By Cash \$34.00

May 21st By \$2.87 on J. Daugherty debt

" 28, " \$2.55

June 9 " \$5.00 Graham debt

June 18 " \$4.00 on Jm Crabbie debt

34 00

2.87

2.55

5.00

4.00

48.42

41.88

6.54

This Receipt is Satisfied in full

This 20 day of Sept 1858

These debts were paid to E B Crockett & W. H. H. Sprout
James Sprout. Adm
of W. H. H. Sprout

Saml. Edsall

To 3 Rct

Sprout & Ridings

\$115.91

\$1.38

Wm. Little

26th May 1858

Received of Eli B. Crockett the follow-
 ing Notes and accounts which I will
 collect or return as the Law directs
 Given under my hand this 21st March 1835

Samuel Edsall Esq.

with a Note on Wm O Hall due 1 st Jan'y 1835 for	\$ 17.	50
do on James Poteet " " 27 th Dec 1834 "	1	55
do on Ed Garrett " " Int from 1 st March 1834	2	75
do on Jeremiah Yeary " 22 nd June 1834	1	25
Execution vs James Hurt " 1 st Nov 1834 30 ^c cost	8	15
do vs Elias Fugate doct up till now \$30 cost	15	41
account on Saml Martin due 25th Dec 1834 Paid	1	50
do on John Williams " " " ball	1	25
	49	36

June 18th

By \$10.00 on
Jan 29 By Pork on
Hurt debt \$4.10

No O Hall debt

Sept the 20th 1858 This Rec is
in full By payment to E. B. Hall

\$208.00
G. J. Wood
\$49.36
E. B. Hall

Received of William H Stirling
the following list of notes and
accounts: viz

1 Note on N. M. Scott & George C. Bailey
due 12th August 1854, for \$40.00, Subject
to a credit of \$5.00 Sep 6th 1854, \$10.00 October
the 7th 1854, \$6.50 November The 13th 1854 of \$8.50
1 Note on Wm Scott for \$5.22, and 18th Jan 55 ~~8.00~~ ^{Paid}
1 Note on James Marcum due 10th Nov 55 for 7.80
1 Note on Wm H & James Anderson
for \$20.00 due Dec 25th 1855, Subject ^{returned}
to a credit of \$5.00 15.00
On account against James M. Elmy for 20.00
due Dec 25th 1854 66.52

All of which I promise to
Collect or return according to law

Saml. Edsall Esq

S. Edsall
To Rect
Sept 14 Spruce

Set in type by Settlement this 20th
September 1858

Sam^l Edsall

Virginia

At a court begun and held for Lee County at the court
House thereof on Monday the 18th day of October 1858,
Eli B. Crockett

Complainant

against

Jamies Spruell administrator of the estate of Wm H Spruell
decd. and John P. Ridings and John J. Carrall

In
Chy
Dfts

The object of this suit is to obtain a judgment of the court
against the defendants for the residue of Notes accounts &c. in the
bill mentioned, placed in said defendants hands by complainant
to indemnify them as his securities, after the said liability
shall have been fully paid,

And it appearing to the court from satisfactory evidence that
John P. Ridings and John J. Carrall are not inhabitants of this
commonwealth it is ordered that the said defendants do appear
here within one month after due publication of this order and answer
the bill of complainant or do what is necessary to protect their in-
terests and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in some
newspaper published in this commonwealth for four successive
weeks and posted at the door of the court house of Lee County,

H. J. Morgan, C. C.

Oct 28th 1858.

Eli B. Crockett

88 } order publication

James Sprout & Co

3 copies	60
order	36
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The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON

James Sproul Administrator of W. H. H. Sproul Deceased John P. Sidings and John J. Carroll,

to appear before the Justices of our County Court for Lee County, at the Court House, *on the 1st Monday in October next,* - to answer

a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court against *them* by *Eli B. Crockett*

And have then there this writ. WITNESS, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, this

27th day of *September*

1858, in the

88th

year of the Commonwealth.

H. J. Morgan, Ck.,

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Eli Brockett

vs } Spas Chy.

Gas Sprout admr. et al

Octo Rules 1838

For entered on James
Sprout not executed
on John P. Ridings
and John J. Carroll
them being non
residents of this
commonwealth
October 2nd 1838
Attest Russell
for John Allen
Sle

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON

James Spruce Administrator of
W. H. H. Spruce Deceased John P. Ridings and John J.
Carroll

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

to appear before the Justices of our County Court for Lee County, at the Court House, *on the 1st Monday*
in November ~~October~~ *next* to answer
a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court against *them* by *Eli B. Kenchell,*

And have then there this writ. WITNESS, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, this

This 27th day of *September* 185*8*, in the *83rd* year of the Commonwealth.

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The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY—GREETING:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON

James Spraul Administrator of
W H H Spraul deceased John P Ridings and John
J Small

to appear before the Justices of our County Court for Lee county, at the Court House, *on the 1st Monday*
in October next — — — — — to answer
a bill in Chancery exhibited in our said Court against *them* by *Eli B. Brockwell,*

And have then there this writ. WITNESS, HENRY J. MORGAN, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House,
this *29th* day of *September* 1858, in the *86th* year of the Commonwealth.

H J Morgan Clk
A Copy Test H J Morgan Clk

VIRGINIA, Washington County, to wit:

I do hereby certify that the annexed notice has been published, four weeks successively, in the ABINGDON VIRGINIAN, a newspaper printed in the town of Abingdon and State aforesaid.

Given under my hand *Lees 4th* 1858

Geo. W. Barr

Printer's fee, \$

Jr Ed. "Virginian"

VIRGINIA.

A Court begun and held for Lee County, at the Court House thereof, on Monday, the 18th day of October, 1858.

Eli B. Crockett,

Complainant,

AGAINST

James Sproul, administrator of the estate of Wm. H. H. Sproul, dec'd, and John P. Ridings, and John J. Carroll,

Defendants.

IN CHANCERY.

The object of this suit is to obtain a judgment of the Court against the defendants for the residue of notes, accounts, &c., in the bill mentioned, placed in said defendant's hands by complainant, to indemnify them as his securities after the said liability shall have been fully paid. And it appearing to the court from satisfactory evidence that John P. Ridings and John J. Carroll are not inhabitants of this commonwealth, it is ordered that the said defendants do appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and answer the bill of complainant, or do what is necessary to protect their interests; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in some newspaper published in this commonwealth, for four successive weeks, and posted at the door of the Court House of Lee county.

A Copy.—Teste,

H. J. MORGAN, c. c.

Nov 6, 1858—4w